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Caretta Research Project

Protecting Georgia's Sea Turtles Since 1973

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Motivation

- I chose this project to get hands on field research and also to volunteer my time doing ocean conservation. I wanted to know if this was something I was ready to commit to as a career and be able to make connections for my future in marine conservation.



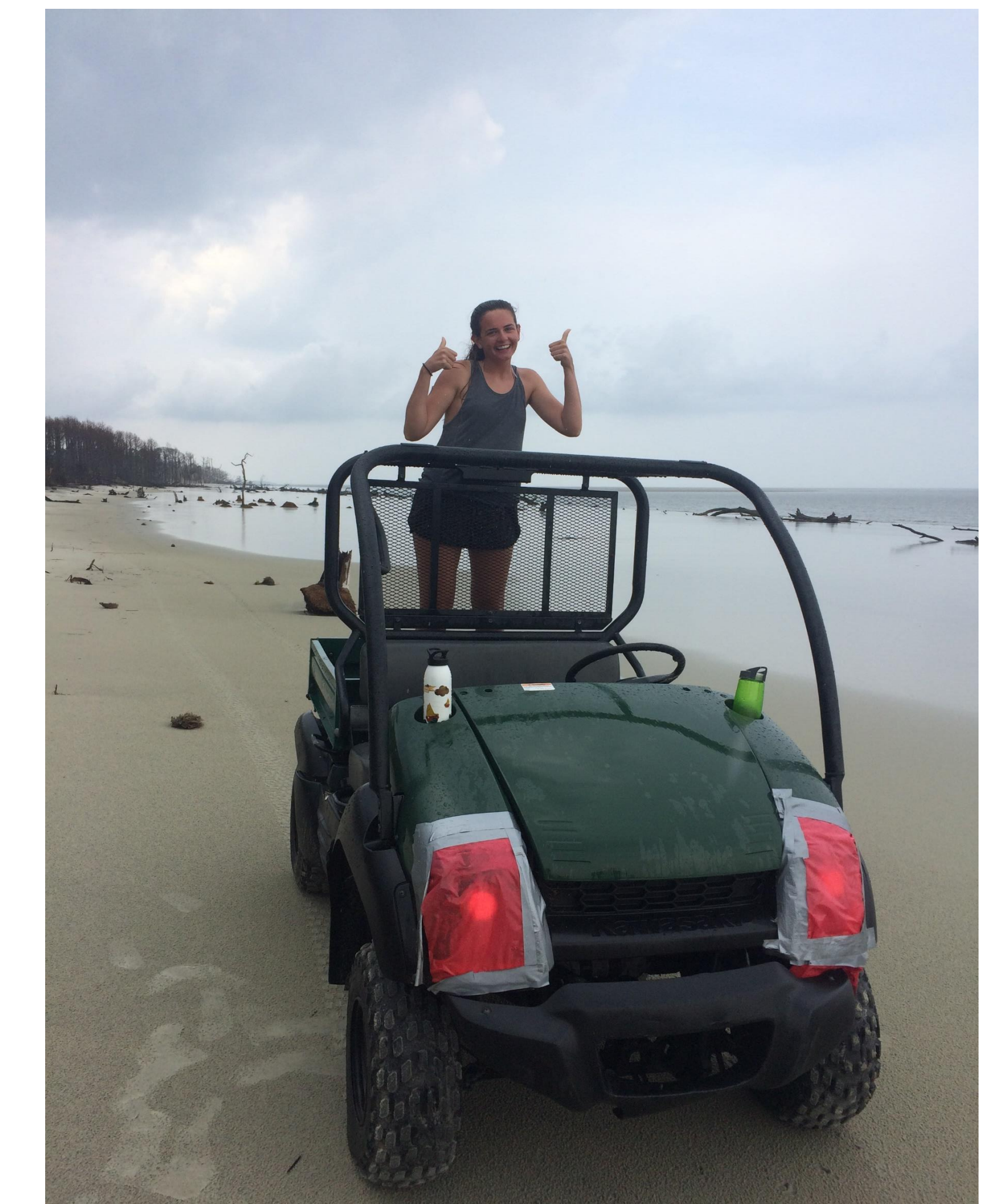
Description

- This project was a week long in-field research volunteer trip with The Caretta Research Project on Wassaw Island in Savannah, Georgia. We patrolled the beach at night looking for females ready to nest. Then, we collected data on the mothers and their eggs. We relocated nests if they were too close to the high tide line and fenced in the nest to protect it from predators.



Transformation

- Gave me a strong connection to nature
- Made me confident in my choices and my abilities to be independent
- Made me appreciate the function of the biosphere



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